

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 605

By Fowler

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate James Matthew Alan Lea and Sharon Marie Rogers upon their wedding.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those special citizens who are celebrating milestones in their lives; and

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2006, James Matthew Alan Lea and Sharon Marie Rogers will be joined in holy matrimony, and from that moment on this loving couple will face the world as one; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga (UTC), Matt Lea earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science in 2004, and he currently serves as Assistant to the Mayor of Chattanooga for Special Projects; he also served as Staff Assistant to United States Senate Majority Leader William H. Frist and Legislative Intern for Senator David Fowler; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Chattanooga State Technical Community College, Sharon Rogers received an Associate's of Science degree in 2004 and is currently a junior at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, majoring in Accounting and Finance; she formerly worked as the Senior Pharmacy Technician at Walgreen's Pharmacy in Chattanooga, and she currently is working with the General Pension Plan for the City of Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, Matt Lea has lent his time and talents to numerous organizations, serving as President of the UTC College Republicans, a member of the Tennessee Inter-Collegiate State Legislature, a member of the Governors Staff of the Tennessee Inter-Collegiate State Legislature, a Senator in the UTC Student Government Association (District 4 Political Science

Department), a Volunteer Firefighter, a Fire Prevention Teacher, and a member of the Hamilton County Red Cross Chapter; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Rogers is also actively involved in many worthy organizations, serving as a member of Beta Alpha Psi (Accounting Honor Society), Treasurer and Institutional Liaison of the UTC College Republicans, and President of the Soddy-Daisy High School Future Business Leaders of America; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Matt Lea was inducted to Pi Gamma Mu (History Honor Society), Pi Sigma Alpha (Political Science Honor Society) and Gideon's International, and has received the City of Soddy-Daisy Service Award, the Best New Delegate Award, the UTC Student Government Association Service Award, and the City of Chattanooga Service Award; and

WHEREAS, not to be outdone by her future husband, Sharon Rogers is a member of the National Honor Society, and she has been named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, *Who's Who in American Universities*, the Academic Scholar's List, and the National Dean's List; and

WHEREAS, their many accomplishments and achievements aside, Matt and Sharon are most thankful for the love and companionship they have shared during the past four years; and

WHEREAS, as the happy date of June 3, 2006, draws near, this legislative body wishes to grasp this golden opportunity to honor and congratulate this blessed couple upon their impending nuptials; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we congratulate James Matthew Alan Lea and Sharon Marie Rogers upon their upcoming wedding, recognize their academic excellence and professional and civic service, and wish them every blessing and happiness during many years of wedded bliss.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.